

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 5, 2009, a complete listing of all of the claims is presented herewith. Applicants would like to elect Invention I, claims 20-26, drawn to a circuit subcombination, classified in class 349, subclass 33 (i.e. means for the electrical excitation of liquid crystal elements) for further prosecution. Applicants would also like to withdraw Invention II, claims 27-32, drawn to a display apparatus combination, classified in class 345, subclass 53 (i.e. liquid crystal displays including signal waveform generators) from consideration.

Moreover, in response to the Notice of Non-Responsive Election dated November 23, 2009, Applicants respectfully disagree with the Office and respectfully assert that the remaining claims 20-26 are readable on the elected Invention I due to the following reasons, so that the present response and the response filed on September 4, 2009 are both responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated August 5, 2009.

The Office asserted that claim 20 as presented in the response filed on September 4, 2009 differs from claim 20 as originally presented on August 15, 2008, wherein the coupling relationships of the inverting terminal and the non-inverting terminal are different. However, Applicants would like to point out that in the amendment dated May 25, 2009, the subject matter had already been amended from:

“an operational amplifier having a NON-INVERTING terminal coupled to a reference voltage, an INVERTING terminal coupled to the first terminal of the feedback resistor for receiving the first and the second currents” into

“an operational amplifier having an INVERTING terminal coupled to a reference voltage, a NON-INVERTING terminal coupled to the first terminal of the feedback resistor for receiving the first and the second currents.”

Furthermore, this amendment was necessitated by the Office action dated November 17, 2008, which rejected claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. 112, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. On page 4 of said Office action, the Office also stated that FIG. 4 of the present application shows an operational amplifier having an INVERTING terminal coupled to a reference voltage and a NON-INVERTING terminal coupled to the first terminal of the feedback resistor. In other words, the “operational amplifier having an INVERTING terminal coupled to a reference voltage and a NON-INVERTING terminal coupled to the first terminal of the feedback resistor” is a feature contained in Invention I, as recognized by the Office.

Since the Restriction Requirement dated August 5, 2009 is mailed after the Office action dated November 17, 2008 and the amendment dated May 25, 2009, Applicants believe that currently presented claim 20, which is the same as claim 20 presented in the amendment dated May 25, 2009, is readable on Invention I specified in said Restriction Requirement.

Therefore, the present response to the Restriction Requirement includes an identification of the Invention elected consonant with the requirement under 35 U.S.C. Section 121 and a listing of all claims readable thereon, so that the present response should be considered responsive and in condition for further prosecution.

Applicants also reserve the right to reintroduce the non-elected subject matter

later and/or to pursue the non-elected subject matter by means of one or more divisional applications.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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